

eter being measured, an independent reproducible standard shall be used. If no applicable standard exists, an in-house standard shall be developed and used.

(c) *Calibration records.* The calibration date, the calibrator, and the next calibration date shall be recorded and displayed, or records containing such information shall be readily available for each piece of equipment requiring calibration. A designated individual(s) shall maintain a record of calibration dates and of the individual performing each calibration.

### Subpart E—Control of Components

#### § 820.80 Components.

Components used in manufacturing shall be received, stored, and handled in a manner designed to prevent damage, mixup, contamination, and other adverse effects. Components shall be quarantined prior to acceptance or clearly identified as not yet accepted.

(a) *Acceptance of components.* There shall be a written procedure for acceptance of components. A designated individual(s) shall accept or reject components. A record shall be maintained of component acceptance and rejection. Upon receipt, each shipping container of components shall be visually examined for damage. Where deviations from component specifications could result in the device being unfit for its intended use, components shall be inspected, sampled, and tested for conformance to specifications.

(b) *Storage and handling of components.* If the quality or fitness for use of components deteriorates over time, the components shall be stored in a manner to facilitate proper stock rotation. Component control numbers or other identifications shall be easily viewable. All obsolete, rejected, or deteriorated components shall be clearly identified and segregated from accepted components. Records shall be maintained of the disposition of all obsolete, rejected, or deteriorated components.

#### § 820.81 Critical devices, components.

In addition to the requirements of § 820.80, the following requirements apply to critical devices:

(a) *Acceptance of critical components.* There shall be written procedures for the accepting, sampling, testing, and inspecting of all lots of critical components to assure that critical components conform to specifications. The number of units sampled from each lot of critical components shall be based upon an acceptable statistical rationale, the past quality history of the supplier, and the quantity needed for analysis and reserve. Each lot of critical components shall be identified with a control number(s) upon receipt. The percentage of defective critical components for each lot and the percentage of lots rejected shall be recorded and identified by supplier name.

(b) *Critical component supplier agreement.* Where possible, the manufacturer shall secure from the critical component supplier a written agreement whereby the supplier agrees to notify the manufacturer of any proposed change in a critical component. Where such an agreement exists, the manufacturer shall not accept such a change until the manufacturer has determined the impact of the change on the finished device.

### Subpart F—Production and Process Controls

#### § 820.100 Manufacturing specifications and processes.

Written manufacturing specifications and processing procedures shall be established, implemented, and controlled to assure that the device conforms to its original design or any approved changes in that design.

(a) *Specification controls.* (1) Procedures for specification control measures shall be established to assure that the design basis for the device, components, and packaging is correctly translated into approved specifications.

(2) Specification changes shall be subject to controls as stringent as those applied to the original design specifications of the device. Such changes shall be approved and documented by a designated individual(s) and shall include the approval date and the date the change becomes effective.

(b) *Processing controls.* (1) Where deviations from device specifications could